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# SAV'S CONTROLLER SHIFTED TO I. R. T.

Merrill Tells Thompson  
Prendergast Didn't Stand  
by Subway Pledge.

## GAYNOR DEFEATED CITY OWNED TUBES

Publisher Testifies He Won Esti-  
mate Board Members Over to  
Company's Plan.

Bradford Merrill, publisher of "The New York American," was the principal witness before the legislative committee yesterday. He explained at length his interest in the dual subway negotiations and his efforts to get the Board of Estimate to adopt plans for city owned subways. He contradicted parts of Controller Prendergast's previous testimony, particularly in regard to an interview with the Controller at Merrill's office shortly before the Controller decided to vote for the dual subway system.

Controller Prendergast issued a statement last night about Mr. Merrill's testimony. He said:

"In the face of Mr. Merrill's testimony, I wish to reiterate and confirm everything to which I testified regarding my interview with Mr. Merrill at my office and also regarding my interview with him at 'The American' office on the night of July 19, 1911.

Says Controller was Nervous.

"As far as the Thompson committee is concerned, I refuse to discuss it further, except to say that Mr. Merrill was apparently the author of many questions put to me by Mr. Moss. His testimony is nothing more than a recitation previously framed between himself and Thompson, Moss & Co."

Coming down to the interview between Mr. Prendergast and himself in the office of "The American," Mr. Merrill said he asked the Controller to come to the office of "The American" to discuss the situation. Mr. Merrill said he asked him frankly how he was going to do on the subway the next day and whether he would be a traitor or would keep his word.

"Mr. Prendergast was very nervous," said Mr. Merrill, "and he made a long, rambling statement about the advantages of a five-cent fare all over town and the advantages of linking the new subways with the present subways. His arguments were the old corporation arguments used at the building of the first subway and to which Mr. Prendergast had been opposed during the campaign. His manner convinced me that he had promised to support the Interborough."

Gaynor Statement Named.

The witness said the Controller sat down at Mr. Hearse's desk, picked up some papers and began to write. After finishing the statement, Mr. Merrill said, the Controller turned to him and said, "Well, there you are. I have written it now; there it is in black and white."

"I congratulate you," Mr. Merrill said he told the Controller. "You are not going down in disgrace then. You are a man of your word."

When Prendergast was a witness he testified that while he was writing the statement in Mr. Merrill's office John Weier, City Hall reporter for "The American," came to his door and handed him Mayor Gaynor's "damnable" statement about the Interborough and the subway. Mr. Merrill said yesterday he had asked Mr. Weier when he had seen the Controller. Mr. Weier replied that he saw Mr. Prendergast some time after he left Mr. Merrill's office. Mr. Weier told Mr. Merrill he thought the Gaynor statement came out about 10 o'clock that night. Mr. Merrill thought Mr. Weier was mistaken and that the statement did not come out until after 11 o'clock.

Puzzled by Gaynor's Charge.

At the examination of Controller Prendergast, Mr. Moss intimated that the Controller had written his statement for Mr. Merrill, declaring his opposition to the Interborough plan before the Gaynor statement appeared. Reviewing the subway negotiations, Mr. Merrill began with the Mayoralty campaign of 1909, pointing out that the preselection pledges of the various candidates were for the city to build and own the subways.

The witness said negotiations toward this end progressed finely until the first subway programme for a second subway was presented to the Board of Estimate and adopted.

"Then everything stopped," said Mr. Merrill. "Gradually it began to appear that the most powerful banking interests and the most powerful railroad interests had allied themselves to defeat that programme."

Asked who the bankers were, Mr. Merrill said he understood they were J. P. Morgan & Co. and 425 other banking houses in the Morgan syndicate. The railroad interests were the Pennsylvania and the New York Central. The negotiations stopped for a year, the witness said, and finally the negotiations for the Interborough extension came to a head in the spring of 1911. Early in July, Mr. Merrill said, Mayor Gaynor had won over nearly a majority of the Board of Estimate. He asserted Chairman Wilcox of the Public Service Commission said he could not explain Mayor Gaynor's attitude on the subway contracts. The witness recalled incidents indicating that Mayor Gaynor was in close touch with the Interborough officials and knew all that was going on.

Tugboat Captain Drowns

Elmer Adams, fifty-three, captain of the tugboat Canister, lying at the Nassau Avenue dock of Newtown Creek, in Williamsburg, was drowned yesterday when he attempted to step from the vessel to the dock. The body was recovered by the police of the harbor squad. Adams' home was at Bush Bay Harbor, Me.

Freud on Robbery Charge

Because of lack of evidence, David Levin was discharged in Morrisania court yesterday on the charge of stealing jewelry valued at \$400 from the home of Frederick W. Heizer, at 948 Trinity Avenue.

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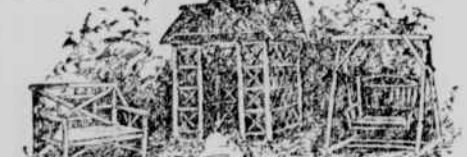
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Octagon Shape, engraved watch front and bracelet, 25 year guarantee gold filled, \$20.

Octagon Shape, plain watch and bracelet, 25 year green gold filled, 15 jewel movement, \$19.50.

Engraved Octagon Shape, watch on silk ribbon, 25 year guarantee, green gold filled, \$18.

Elgin Bracelet Watch, 14-kt. green gold expansion bracelet, \$30.50.

Very Small Elgin Bracelet Watch, 14-kt. green gold, expansion bracelet, \$40.

Green gold filled on silk ribbon, octagon shape watch, plain polished, \$17.50.

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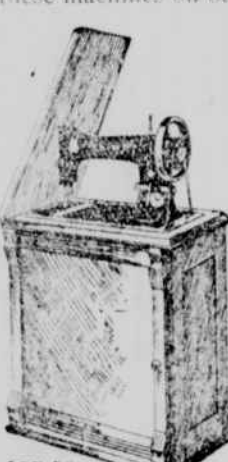
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Illustrated at Right

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Illustrated at Left

White Satin Sailor, \$6.75

Note the novel manner in which cross-grain ribbon is used on the brim and as trimming of this model.

Of the new shapes, also priced \$6.75, a white satin sailor with extension and under brim of natural color leghorn and banding of cross-grain ribbon is importantly featured.

Small Sailors with shirred cross-grain ribbon encircling the crown, wide skeleton bow the ribbon, \$2.95.

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